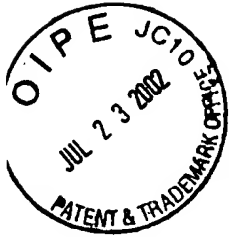


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In re Application of:

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For: SPIN VALVE SENSOR FREE LAYER
STRUCTURE WITH A COBALT
BASED LAYER THAT PROMOTES
MAGNETIC STABILITY AND
HIGH MAGNETORESISTANCE

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed 05/10/2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the Drawings

A "Request for Drawing Amendment" accompanies this document.

Claims after amendments (see "Attachment" for present amendments)

1. A magnetic component for an electrical device comprising:
a cobalt or cobalt based layer that has a magnetic moment and an easy axis; and
the cobalt or cobalt based layer having been formed by oblique ion beam sputtering in
the presence of a field oriented in a direction of said easy axis.

2. A magnetic component as claimed in claim 1 further comprising:
said cobalt or cobalt based layer having been further formed by annealing after said
oblique ion beam sputtering in the presence of said field oriented in said direction of the easy
axis.

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